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Re: Naknek River Bridge

Mr. Jeff Ottesen  
Chief of Statewide Planning  
Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities  
3 132 Channel Drive  
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Dear Mr. Ottesen:

This is a letter of support for a bridge to link Naknek and King Salmon with South Naknek. On February 29, 2000, the Paug-Vik Board of Directors voted unanimously to support the concept. A bridge would improve the quality of life for the three communities. It would reduce many costs associated with current duplication of services. A bridge would enhance opportunities for jobs and would eliminate the danger of flying students daily across the Naknek River in order for them to attend school. These were many of the positive reasons and I'm sure there are many more compelling reasons to construct a bridge. The benefits derived from a bridge far outweigh any negative impacts, if any. We believe it is time to connect the three communities in our Borough with a bridge.

Sincerely,

  
John C. Knutsen  
President

cc: Honorable Governor Tony Knowles  
Bristol Bay Borough  
South Naknek Village Council  
King Salmon Village Council  
Naknek Village Council  
Representative Carl Moses  
Senator Ted Stevens  
Senator Murkowski  
Representative Don Young